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VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR HALL OF JUSTICE LEARNING CENTER

LANSING, MI, August 12, 2003 -- The Hall of Justice Learning Center is seeking volunteers to work with school groups and other Learning Center visitors.

The Learning Center, which is located on the first floor of the Michigan Hall of Justice in Lansing, is designed to help visitors understand the court system and how it affects their lives. The 3,800 square foot museum-style gallery is highly interactive, with computer programs and hands-on activities. Volunteers act as tour guides to assist groups that visit the gallery.

Volunteer training sessions will include information on the Michigan court system, exhibit content, computer programs and other general information about the Michigan Supreme Court. Volunteers will also learn how to guide visitors through the gallery. Teachers or others who have experience working with children are ideal for this volunteer opportunity. Volunteers do not need a legal background or previous experience with the justice system.

Volunteers must be willing to commit to a minimum of eight hours per month for one year. A training program will start in September to help prepare volunteers for their role.

Applications are available by calling 517-373-5027 or by visiting the Learning Center website at http://www.courts.michigan.gov/plc. Interviews and a background check will be required for all applicants.